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In re Application of:

WEI, Guang-Xue et al.

Serial No.: 09/710,560

Filed: November 9, 2000

For: FLUORESCENT POLYMER  
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REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

Honorable Commissioner of  
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Dear Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on November 9, 2000. On February 8, 2001, a Preliminary Amendment was filed, in which a paragraph was added to make a cross-reference to certain applications filed on November 9 and November 10, 2000, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a)(2). A copy of the Preliminary Amendment is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

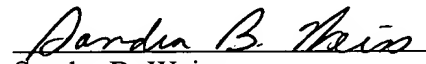
The purpose of the preliminary amendment was not to claim the benefit of the filing date of the other cross-referenced applications. Rather, the amendment was made pursuant to the sentence of 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a)(2), that reads "Cross references to other related applications may be made when appropriate (see § 1.14)." The wording of the Preliminary Amendment is in accordance with this language of the rule.

On March 28, 2001, attorneys for the applicants herein received the official filing receipt for this application. A copy of the official receipt is attached hereto as Exhibit B. The official filing receipt erroneously states that this application claims the benefit of 60/247,438 and 60/247,439, both filed November 9, 2000, or the same date as the application herein.

Applicants respectfully request the issuance of a corrected filing receipt, in which this statement is omitted. That is, the portion of the filing receipt after "Continuing Data as Claimed by Applicant" should be blank. Attached as Exhibit C is a copy of the official filing receipt showing the requested correction in red.

Applicants also respectfully request that the files of 60/247,438 and 60/247,439 be checked to be sure that they have not erroneously been deemed abandoned. It is not the intent of the applicants to abandon these applications.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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- ☐ The filing fee is correct. It includes the surcharge under 37 CFR 1.16(e) for filing an oath/declaration or basic filing fee after the application filing date.
- ☐ The inventor information may be truncated if the family name consists of more than 50 characters (letters and spaces combined) and if the given name consists of more than 50 characters (letters and spaces combined). The inventor's residence allows for up to 40 characters (letters and spaces combined).
- ☐ The docket number allows a maximum of 25 characters.
- ☒ Continuity claimed under 35 USC 120 cannot be added to the Filing Receipt without supplying the relationship (i.e. continuation, divisional...). *09/710, 560 and 09/709, 921*
- ☐ Foreign priority will appear on the Filing Receipt in the following order:  
**Country, Application number, Filing date.**
- ☐ The person signing on behalf of the deceased inventor will be reflected on your Filing Receipt as the legal representative.
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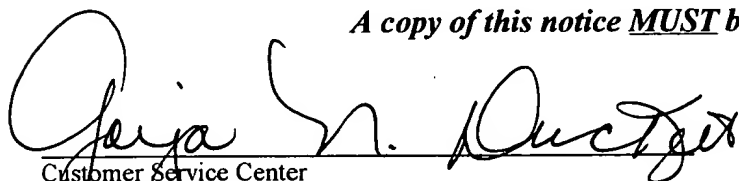
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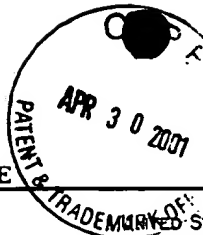
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EXHIBIT B



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## Continuing Data as Claimed by Applicant

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## Foreign Applications

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Non-Publication Request: No

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## Title

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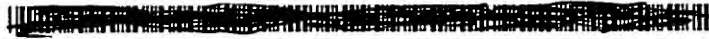
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